Congressman Steve King today made the following statement regarding a vote last night in the Senate that denied ACORN from qualifying for federal grant money in the Housing and Urban Development and Transportation appropriations bill. The amendment was introduced by Senator Mike Johanns of Nebraska. King's statement follows:

"Over the past week, we have seen multiple examples of an organization that, in addition to facing charges of voter fraud and tax violations, is willing to facilitate prostitution. These videos have confirmed that ACORN continues to operate as a criminal enterprise.

"Nancy Pelosi, John Conyers, Barney Frank and other liberals on Capitol Hill have protected and funded ACORN while blocking Congressional hearings on ACORN's operations and finances. The Attorney General of the United States needs to investigate with the IRS and perform a complete forensic analysis of the activities and finances of ACORN and its affiliates.

"This Senate vote indicates the tide may be turning. Taxpayers are refusing to allow this partisan criminal enterprise to continue its shady practices while collecting taxpayer funds. I commend Senator Johanns for his leadership on this issue, and remain committed to ensuring no more taxpayer dollars are placed in ACORN's coffers."